

National Brownfields Conference Slated for St. Louis

Join more than 4,000 participants at the America's Center in St. Louis, MO, September 20-22, for the largest conference of its kind: *Brownfields 2004: Gateway to Revitalization*.

This premier international event is the official, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)- and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA)-cosponsored conference focused on redeveloping brownfield properties. Now in its 9th year, the conference brings together stakeholders from the private sector, government agencies, and nonprofit organizations for a full three days of educational sessions and networking. KDHE is pleased to be an official endorser for this national conference.

With certain legal exclusions and additions, the term *brownfield site* means real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Reuse and redevelopment is both a challenge and an opportunity for these abandoned, idled or underutilized industrial and commercial sites. Putting these sites back into productive use can serve as a catalyst for local economic revitalization. Complex financial, legal and environmental risks and uncertainties are some of the biggest barriers to owners and developers.

The educational program will cover a full spectrum of subjects ranging from cleanup, financing, public policy, economic development, real estate, job training and creation, health and safety and much more. In addition to the technical program the conference includes several plenary sessions, hands-on mobile workshops, networking opportunities, gala receptions, and a tradeshow and exhibit hall.

Registration is **FREE** for this event and can be done online at <http://www.brownfields2004.org/>.

For more information on KDHE's Brownfield program, see our Web site:
http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/remedial/download/bta_flyer.pdf

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